



Ennis Parish News

Confessions in Cathedral Saturday After 10am Mass & before and after 6.30pm Mass

St Joseph's Saturday After 11am Mass

Parish Office open Mon to Fri 9.30-1pm & 2-5pm Sat 10.30-12noon

Mass Times

Sundays:

Cathedral:- Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday: 9am, 10.30am & 12 noon

St. Joseph's:- Sat. Vigil: 7pm; Sunday: 8, 10, 11.30am

Cloughleigh Church:- 9.30am, 11am

Friary:- Sat. Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday: 9.30, 10.30, 12.00 noon

Poor Clare Monastery:- 7.45 a.m.

Weekdays:

Cathedral: Mon. – Fri: 7.45am; 10am & 7.30pm; 10am on Saturday

St. Joseph's:- Monday – Saturday: 11am

Cloughleigh Church:- Monday – Friday: 9.30am

Friary:- Daily: 10am & 1.05pm; 10am on Saturday

Poor Clare Monastery:- Daily at 7.45 am; Daily Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament from 4-6pm in the Chapel.

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Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: info@ennisparish.com

St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715; Friary: 6828751

Ennis Parish Web Site: <http://www.ennisparish.com>

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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 24th September, 2017

World Meeting of Families

When I talk to parents whose children are preparing for sacraments I always tell them that their family home is one of the holiest places their child can be. Does that sound a bit mad? I don't know about your family home but ours wouldn't strike anyone as your typical idea of a holy place!

There are piles of clothes to be ironed, dishes to be dried, muddy sports gear to be cleaned, a dog who seems to lose more hair every day that she has on her body and a fridge that mysteriously empties as soon as I do the shopping!

So how can this be a holy place? Family life is the place where we meet God in the bits and pieces of everyday. We meet him in the daily challenges to love, forgive, nurture and grow together. In the middle of school runs, meals

cooked, stories read, homework checked, cuddles given and dreams nurtured. We glimpse the face of God who created us and calls us to the fullness of life.



...In all those ways we show love for each other in family life – even when it is a struggle to do so – become ways of echoing God's love in the world.

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: Vincent Griffin, Ard Aoibhinn. MM

Sun: Brighid McGarry, late Ard na Greine.

Nancy & Gus Mooney, Cornmarket St.

10.30am: Jason Woods, Connolly Villas.

Mary Burke, Park Ave.

David King, Doora.

Fr. Jimmy McInerney.

Kathleen Kelly, College Rd.

Nancy Shannon & deceased family.

Joan, Cyril & deceased Callinan family, Kilmurray.

12noon: Joan Dinan, Waterpark Heights. **1st Anniv**

Mon:7.45am: Special Intention.

10am: Ralph Martin, California.

7.30pm: Noel Cosgrove, Clancy Park.

Tues:7.45am Book of Intentions.

10am: Paddy Mongans, Stone Court.

7.30pm:Patk, Elizabeth & Amelia Cahill, Cahercalla Est.

Wed:7.45am: Donor's Intention.

10am: Tom, Ann & David Fitzhenry, Limerick & Ennis.

7.30pm: Paddy & Ciss Hanrahan, St. Michael's Vls.

Thurs:7.45am: Donor's Intentions.

10am: Joseph Keane, Summerhill.

4pm:Martin Sweeney, Clonroadbeg & Kilrush. **1st Anniv**

7.30pm: Special Intention.

Fri:7.45am: Mass for the People.

10am: Charlie & Bridie McEnery, Circular Rd.

7.30pm: Mary **1st Anniv**, Packie & Noel Ryan,
Dalcassian Ave.

Sat:10am: Eugene & Seamus Curley, Limerick Rd.

6.30pm: Mary Kelly, Westbourne. MM

Holy Family Confirmation Enrolment

Sun : 9am: Mass for the People.

10.30am: Anne Mangan, Turnpike Rd.

Ml. Hayes, Loughville.

12noon: Eileen Tuohy, Kincora Park. MM

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 1st October, 2017

Readers: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Mon 9.30am: Paul Briody, Roscommon.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Thu 9.30am: Moyra Lynch, Mullagh.

Sun 11am: Patrick & Christina Coote, Considine's Tce.

Pray and Play has resumed in the Cathedral chapter room at the weekly 12:00 Sunday mass. If you would like your child to learn about the faith in a fun, safe and relaxed environment then we invite you to come along and have a look. Open to children up to 2nd class.

Live the Word:



We all have shadows that need attention, our fears, our grudges, our memories. The unrest goes inside but only You or I can bring peace to the unrest.

Hospital & Sick Calls

24th September, 2017

Priest on Duty:

Please call duty phone:

065 6869098

Anniversary Mass for Susanne

McNeill late of Clancy Park and Miltown Malbay. Cahercalla Community Chapel; Saturday 30th September; 10.30am.

Newly Baptised



We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Mia Saoirse

Wilkinson; **Noah Logan** Dos Santos; **Ethan Markel** Ferreira de Sousa;

Pope Francis

from Laudato Si:

"The human environment and the natural environment are deteriorating together. We cannot adequately combat environmental degradation unless we attend to causes related to human and social degradation. In fact, deterioration of the environment and of society affects the most vulnerable people on the planet. Both every day experience and scientific research show that the gravest effects of all attacks on the environment are suffered by the poor. For example, the depletion of fishing reserves especially hurts small fishing communities without the means to replace those resources. Water pollution particularly affects the poor who cannot afford to buy bottled water. Rises in sea levels mainly affect impoverished coastal communities who have nowhere else to go, and there are many other problems which are not represented on global agendas. This is due partly to the fact that the centres of power are located in affluent areas, far removed from the poor with little direct contact with their problems. We have to realise that a true ecological approach must include questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth."



St. Joseph's

Mass intentions for scheduled Masses in St. Joseph's Church should be booked through the Parish Office. For all other events call Fr John 0656822166.

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Mary & Fiachra Barrett, Co. Mayo.

Sun 10am: Ann Fox & Pat Mc Inerney, Corrovorrin Gr.

11.30am: Nano Kelly, Turnpike & Kilmaley. **1st Anniv**

Mon 11am: Donors Intention.

Tues 11am: Phenie, Tom & Eamon Sheehy,
Old Gort Rd.

Wed 11am: Bernard Jaworski, Poland.

Fri 11am: Eithne Carey, Pine Grove & O'Neill & Carey families.

Sat 11am: Damian McKinney, Ennis & UK.

7pm: PJ O'Donnell, Ballyalla.

Sun 8am: Kathleen & Sean Horgan, Kincora Park.

10am: Monty Keane, St. Senan's Rd.

11.30am: Elizabeth Summerly, Gort Road.



Divine Mercy Chaplet

We will continue to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet as a prayer group on this **Tuesday evening; 8pm; chapter room.** All are welcome to come and pray and we hope to keep up the wonderful attendance and new friendships formed so far. There will also be a short *Lectio Divina* after the chaplet. All welcome.

Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) takes place on **Sunday 1st October; 5.30pm; St. Joseph's Church.** All are welcome.



Rest in Peace

Kathleen Collins, Naas Co. Kildare, sister in law of Phil, Turnpike Rd & Sr. Frances, Poor Clare's Convent; **Sean McDonnell**, Collins Park; **Caroline Hayes** (nee Hanley), Newmarket-on-Fergus & Ennis. **Johnny Joyce**, Beechpark;



*Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near;
still loved, still missed and very dear.*

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul 86 Parnell Street, Ennis, is recruiting for participants on their Community Employment Scheme. This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary, accredited training will be provided to support your career.

You will be working as part of a team of staff and volunteers, in our exciting new state of the art shop and café.

Please contact your local DSP Employment Services/Intreo Office to check your eligibility and state the vacancy number which is 2049352. If you need any further information on these positions please contact either Marrita or James on 065 6824188.

Thank You to everyone who generously supported the recent Coffee Morning in the Cathedral House in aid of Cahercalla Hospice.

St. Michael's Holy Well Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Jerry Carey on Friday the 29th September; 6.30pm. Pilgrims gather at 6pm. at the top of the farmers' access road next to N18 By-Pass Bridge, Quin Road, Ennis, for onward pilgrim walk to St. Michael's Holy Well, Kilbreckan. Please join us in the footsteps of our ancestors on this ancient pilgrim path. All welcome.

St Flannan's Parents' Association are holding their AGM at 8 pm in the Music room beside reception. All parents are invited and most welcome to attend. Meeting to be held in St. Flannan's on Monday 25th September Room 2 beside reception at 8.15pm.

Céilí in Abbey Hall, Clarecastle on Monday, 9th October at 9pm. All are welcome.

Ranganna Gaeilge sa Tulach: Irish language classes resume in Cnoc na Gaoithe, Tulla; Monday 2 October; 4.15pm for 4th, 5th, and 6th class primary school students. Irish for junior and senior cycle secondary school students at 7.30pm Ciorcal Comhrá 8pm -9pm on Thursdays. Enquiries 087/8350996. An Ghaeilge Abú.

Sixmilebridge Parish are holding a Concert with the Celtic Tenors on Friday Oct 13th 2017 at 8 pm in Sixmilebridge Parish Church in aid of Pieta House. Tickets €25. Tickets are available by contacting Sixmilebridge Parish office: 061 713682

The 1917 Hunger Strike Committee is trying to trace any living relatives of Hunger Striker Francis Shinnors from the market area of Ennis. The committee would appreciate any information. We can be contacted via the following: mob: 0879319232, tel: 0657084311 email: clarehungerstrike1917@gmail.com,

BURREN RAMBLE 2017: A beautiful 7km ramble through the landscape of the Lough A Valla loop in Mullaghmore Mountain will take place on Sunday 24th of September. Parking in James Howard's field on the way up to the loop walk at 12noon for a 12.30 start. Bring a packed lunch and suitable weather/walking gear. Proceeds to the RNLI Lifeboats. Information from 0876260301.

New social dance class starting at The Auburn Lodge Hotel, Friday 29th September; 8pm-11pm. Learn to Jive, Waltz, Foxtrot, Quickstep & the Slosh Dance. All welcome. Further info visit www.jiveireland.com or contact Padraig 087 181 2248.

A Liturgical Conference - Living Stones, Celebrating 90 Years of Monastic Life - will take place in Glenstal Abbey 20-22 October. Please find attached a brochure and poster outlining the details of the Conference.

Bridge Classes 2017 Classes for beginners. Start: Tuesday 3rd October; 7.30pm; Venue: Bridge Centre, Ennis; Tutor: Enda Glynn. For details call Enda : 0872674288

Free Digital Skills Computer Classes Introduction to the Internet, Internet safety & security, Email, Search engines and websites, Online government services, Conducting everyday transactions, Online voice and video calls, Use of "Apps". Classes are held over 5 days (2 hours a day) and are free to anyone. If you wish to enrol please contact Pauline/Mary Ellen at CIOC, Elevation Business Park, Clonroad, Ennis, Co. Clare. Phone: 065 6841009; email: education@cioc.ie

Clare Parkinson's Support Group meeting; Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus; 10am; Friday 29th September. The Support Group's aim is to link people with Parkinson's, their carers, relatives, friends and interested health and care professionals. It offers a forum for discussion, support and information and to raise awareness locally about Parkinson's and problems associated with the condition. All are welcome. For further information contact 087 415 8430

Two pro-life world renowned experts, Dr. Angela Lanfranchi and Professor Priscilla Coleman from the USA will speak on the link between abortion and breast cancer and abortion's harmful effects on women's mental health on Saturday 30th September 2017 in the Ashling Hotel, Dublin 8 (near Heuston Station) 9.30am to 4pm. Entry €20. Hosted by 'Ask Majella' Pregnancy Counselling, a project of Human Life International. For more info Tel. 094-9375993. Both of these women have been featured in the recent multi award winning documentary film 'HUSH'. www.hushfilm.com

Set Dancing Classes in Cois na hAbhna every Wednesday 8.30pm to 10.30pm. Mike Mahoney. Tel. 086 3736 365

St Flannan's College Night Classes and Saturday Workshops for Adults will resume on October 11th. Classes include: Make-up, Sign Language, Parenting Teens, Embroidery, Flower Arranging, Acrylics Painting, Crochet, Spanish, Yoga, CPR/AED, Interior Design, Creative Writing, Fondant Figures, Permaculture, Skincare, Sense of Style. We will also offer once-off Saturday Workshops in Cafe Cooking, Stained Glass, etc. Text/phone 085 1670326 for further details and bookings.

CLARECARE various Parenting Programmes commencing 3rd October in Clarecare, Harmony Row. For more details or to reserve a place contact Michelle Barnes, Clarecare: 065 6894246 or email: parentingsupport@clarecare.ie

Washer & Dryer urgently required. Tel. No. 085 7552387

Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 17th September: €7,011

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire

Ceiliúrtar Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire inniu an 24 Meán Fómhair. Lá mór comóraidh is ea é do Shiúrach na Trócaire in Éirinn agus ar fud an domhain. Guímis ar a son agus iad ag saothrú agus ag moladh Dé lá i ndiaidh lae. Guímis freisin ar son a gcomhpháirtithe agus aon duine a bhí bainteach riamh le Siúrach na Trócaire.

*Go raibh siad dilis dá ngairm. Áiméan
A Mhaighdean ghlórmhar, a Mháthair Dé,
A bhean ab uaisle de gach cine
Is atá diongbháilte i ngach moladh,
Déan idirghuí ar ár son
I bhfianaise do Mhic ghráúil féin,
Le súil go bhfaighimis an ghlóir shíoraí i
dáice. Áiméan.*

The feast of Our Lady of Mercy is celebrated today the 24 September. It is a great day of celebrations for Sisters of Mercy in Ireland and all over the world. We pray for them and for all those associated with them that they may be faithful to their calling.

*Glorious Virgin, Mother of God,
Noble woman of every race
Is convincing in every situation,
Please intercede on our behalf
Given your own loving Son,
With the hope to obtain eternal glory.
Amen.*

Counselling Course: Now recruiting for the NUI Maynooth Certificate in Counselling Skills (Hetac Level 7) to run at The Clare Education Centre, Ennis from Wed 11th October from 6.30 pm. For Further details contact Pauline Bradley on 087 6383988.

Grants are available for personal alarms and installation for persons aged 65 years and older through Pobal. The applicant is only responsible for payment of the annual monitoring charge. Please phone Family Carers Ireland Ennis 065 6866515. We will be delighted to answer your queries or concerns and apply for a Personal Alarm on your behalf.

Positive Ageing: As part of National Positive Ageing Week, the Clare Older Persons' Forum (COPF), extends an open invitation to seniors to attend the *Older Person of the Year* award ceremony and celebration at the *Temple Gate* Hotel, on Tuesday next, 26th September from 2.30pm. Light refreshments served, followed by entertainment with Davy Howard, soloist, and the *Forever Young* choir.

2 Chronicles 7:14. A weekend of "prayer for our land" conference in Knock, Co. Mayo on 20th - 22nd October. Please come and join us to pray for conversion in our families, parishes, government and land. Includes: Prayer, Praise, Worship, Teaching, Music, Testimony, Confession, Holy Mass & Healing. Speakers: Fr. John Keane, Noel Byrne, Aidan Byrne, Fr. Lawrence CFR, of Moyross. Contact: Patricia 087 9130909 or Theresa 086 3241269.

Charity Bridge Night; Ennis Bridge Centre; Thursday 28th September; 7.30pm. All Welcome.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.

Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord
for ever.

PENITENTIAL RITE

P. Have mercy on us, O Lord

C. For we have sinned against you.

P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

C. And grant us your salvation.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.

C. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace to people of good will. We praise
you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify
you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, God, almighty
Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Is 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take
pity on him,

to our God who is rich in forgiving;

for my thoughts are not your thoughts,

my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who
speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R: The Lord is close to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day
And praise your name for ever.

The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
His greatness cannot be measured. R.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
Slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
Compassionate to all his creatures. R.

The Lord is just in all his ways
And loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
Who call on him from their hearts. R.

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians. Ph 1:20-24.27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether
by my life or by my death. Life to me, of
course, is Christ, but then death would
bring me something more; but then again, if
living in this body means doing work which
is having good results - I do not know what
I should choose. I am caught in this
dilemma: I want to be gone and be with
Christ, which would be very much the
better, but for me to stay alive in this body
is a more urgent need for your sake.
Avoid anything in your everyday lives that
would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on the King who comes,

In the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven

And glory in the highest heavens!

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of
heaven is like a landowner going out at
daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard.
He made an agreement with the workers
for one denarius a day, and sent them to
his vineyard. Going out at about the third
hour he saw others standing idle in the
market place and said to them, "You go to
my vineyard too and I will give you a fair
wage." So they went. At about the sixth
hour and again at about the ninth hour, he
went out and did the same. Then at about
the eleventh hour he went out and found
more men standing round, and he said to
them, "Why have you been standing here
idle all day?" "Because no one has hired
us" they answered. He said to them, "You
go into my vineyard too." In the evening,
the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff,
"Call the workers and pay them their
wages, starting with the last arrivals and

ending with the first." So those who were
hired at about the eleventh hour came
forward and received one denarius each.
When the first came, they expected to get
more, but they too received one denarius
each. They took it, but grumbled at the
landowner. "The men who came last" they
said "have done only one hour, and you
have treated them the same as us though
we have done a heavy day's work in all
the heat." He answered one of them and
said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to
you; did we not agree on one denarius?
Take your earnings and go. I choose to
pay the last-comer as much as I pay you.
Have I no right to do what I like with my
own? Why be envious because I am
generous?" Thus the last will be first, and
the first last.'

The Gospel of the Lord

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things
visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not
made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, and by the
Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man. For our sake he
was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he
suffered death and was buried, and rose
again on the third day In accordance with
the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father. He will come again in glory to
judge the living and the dead and his
kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the
giver of life, who proceeds from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father and the
Son is adored and glorified, who has
spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism
for the forgiveness of sins and I look
forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Communion Antiphon

I am the Good Shepherd, says the
Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.